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Amendments to the Claims:

This listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application.

Listing of Claims:

1. (currently amended) A car racing game device comprising, a starting gate, a finish gate and a track assembly interconnecting same, said starting gate having an inclined track portion thereon defining track paths and elevation support post extending therefrom,

a release assembly selectively extending through corresponding opening in said track paths,

a starting tower on said starting gate having a vertically aligned colored sequential starting light assembly and an informational display and a foul light,

said finish gate having finish engagement flag means extending there from engageable by independent race cars on said respective track paths,

said track assembly comprises multiple track sections registerably secured to each other by connector fittings and to said finish and starting gates,

~~means for securing said track sections together,~~

said track sections have oppositely disposed parallel side rails with depending engagement channels, an upstanding track divided therebetween, said connector fitting having an upstanding abutment band defining interconnecting track path surfaces,

means for remotely activating said car release assembly,

~~means~~ an electronic control circuit for ~~electrically~~ interconnecting said car release assembly, finish engagement flags and an electronic sound effect generator in communication with said remote activation means and source of electrical power.

2. (canceled)

3. (canceled)

4. (original) The car racing game device set forth in claim 1 wherein each of said car release assemblies comprises,

an activation motor, a release arm operably extending there from, a vehicle engagement stop and release portion on said arm,

said arm movable from a first car engagement position to a second car release position, resilient means holding said arm in said first position.

5. (original) The car racing game device set forth in claim 1 wherein said means for remotely activating said car release assembly comprises,

a pair of starting pedal electrical switches selectively interconnected thereto.

6. (currently amended) The car racing game device set forth in claim 1 wherein said finish engagement flags ~~further~~ means comprise, a pair of extended arms, optical interrupters in communication with said arms, and finish lights on said finish gate.

7. (canceled)

8. (canceled)

9. (canceled)

10. (currently amended) The car racing game device set forth in claim 8 1 wherein said source of electrical power is storage batteries within said starting gate.

11. (canceled)

12. (canceled)

13. (canceled)

14. (currently amended) The track for use in toy race cars comprising,

a multiple track segment segments, and a track segment connector, each of said track segment segments comprising an elongated body member having oppositely disposed parallel side rails, support flanges extending from said respective side rails, co-planar track surfaces extending from said side rails,

an elongated central upstanding track divider interengaging said respective track surfaces, elongated engagement channels extending

from respective side rails, said tract connector comprises, a pair of oppositely disposed, elongated interengagement flanges,

an upstanding transversely extending track abutment band extending therebetween, said track abutment band having oppositely disposed upstanding side rails, a central upstanding band dividing therebetween for corresponding co-planar registration with said abutting track segments.

15. (original) The track set forth in claim 14 wherein said side rails are in oppositely disposed angular inclination from one another.

16. (canceled)

17. (canceled)

18. (canceled)

19. (currently amended) The track in claim ~~18~~ 14 wherein said oppositely disposed upstanding side rails are in longitudinal angular offset relation to said adjacent track section side rails.

20. (canceled)